

REMARKS

The present amendment amends the specification and replaces all of the original claims in the application with new claims 54-103. The cross reference to related applications has been amended to refer to the three preceding parent applications, to update the status of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/855,767, which has issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,431,421, and to add a priority claim to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/526,243, which issued as U.S. Patent 5,168,887.

The undersigned is scheduled to meet with Examiner Lorengo to discuss this application at 11:00 am on Tuesday, 9 October. This amendment is being hand-delivered to the Examiner to afford the Examiner an opportunity to review the amendment in advance of the interview if his schedule permits.

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**Appendix – Specification
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The two paragraphs on page 1 under the heading "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" have been amended as follows:

This application is a continuation of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/575,965 filed May 23, 2000; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/883,393 filed June 26, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,066,575); which is a division of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/422,485 filed April 12, 1995 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,658,387); which is a continuation-in-part of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/855,767 filed March 18, 1992 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,431,421); which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/665,942 filed March 6, 1991 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,235,995); which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/526,243 (now U.S. Patent 5,168,887).

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed based upon the above applications and U.S. Patent Application Serial Nos. 07/855,767 and 07/665,942 ~~which~~ are also hereby incorporated by reference.